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## EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Ecuador and has the honor to refer to the Ministry's Note No. 20970-91 GM/DVSN-DGSMA of October 23, 1995, which reads as follows:

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Honorable Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to refer to the Air Transport Agreement and Annexes signed in Washington by representatives of Ecuador and the United States on September 26, 1986, and to the Agreement effected by diplomatic note exchange in Quito, on June 14 and 30, 1993, with which the application of that Agreement and Annexes was extended until June 30, 1994.

In this regard, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would like to propose that the pertinent Ecuadorian and U.S. authorities continue to authorize operations according to the terms of the 1986 agreement; that Annex I of the 1986 Agreement govern scheduled services for the period of July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1996; and that Annex II of the 1986 Agreement govern air charter services between our two countries for the period of July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1996.

The Ministry of Foreign Affaires would also like to propose that the air routes contained in Section 2.1(a) of Annex I, be modified to include the cities of Latacunga and Manta as additional coterminal points in Ecuador to which U.S. airlines providing scheduled cargo services shall have the right to serve by way of the intermediate points and to the points included latter in that section (beyond points), so that the route schedule reads as follows:

From the United States via the Intermediate points of Mexico City, Mexico; Guatemala City, Guatemala; San Salvador, El Salvador; San Pedro Sula and Tegucigalpa, Honduras; Panama City, Panama; Cali, Bogota and Medellin, Colombia; to the Coterminal points of Quito, Guayaquil, Manta /1/ and Latacunga /1/, Ecuador; and beyond Ecuador to Lima, Peru; Santiago, Chile; Buenos Aires, Argentina; La Paz and Santa Cruz, Bolivia; Asuncion, Paraguay; and, Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo, Brazil.

/1/ Manta and Latacunga may be served by the designated airlines of the United States of cargo services only.

Finally, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honor to propose that this note and the reply note from that Honorable Embassy constitute an agreement between our two governments, which shall enter into force on the date of note of reply with effect from June 30, 1994.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Honorable Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration."

The Embassy wishes to inform the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that the Government of the United States of America accepts the proposal contained in the Ministry's note to permit continued operations in accordance with the terms of the 1986 Air Transport Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Ecuador until June 30, 1996 and to amend the U.S. route description to include the additional coterminal points of Manta and Latacunga for scheduled all-cargo service only. The Embassy further confirms that the Ministry's note and this note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the two governments which shall enter into force on the date of this note with effect from July 1, 1994.

The Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America
Quito, December 19, 1995

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In this regard, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would like to propose that the pertinent Ecuadorian and U.S. authorities continue to license operations according to the terms of the 1986 Agreement; that Annex I of the 1986 Agreement regulate the service planned for the period between July 1, 1994 and June 30, 1996; and that Annex II of the 1986 Agreement regulate the air charter services between our two countries for the period between July 1, 1994 and June 30, 1996.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs would also like to propose that the air travel routes included in Section 2.1 (A) of Annex I, be modified to include the cities of Latacunga and Manta as additional co-terminal points in Ecuador to which U.S. airlines providing programmed cargo services will be authorized to provide through intermediate points and up to the points mentioned ahead in that Section, so the travel route program remains as follows:

"From the United States via the intermediate points of Mexico City, Mexico; Guatemala City, Guatemala; San Salvador, El Salvador; San Padro Sula and Tegucigalpa, Honduras; Panama City, Panama; Cali, Bogota and Medellin, Colombia; to the co-terminal points of Quito, Guayaquil, Manta (1) and Latacunga (1), Ecuador; and after Ecuador to Lima, Peru; Santiago, Chile, Buenos Aires, Argentina; La Paz and Santa Cruz, Bolivia; Asuncion, Paraguay; and, Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo, Bragil.

(1) Manta and Latacunga may be provided by appointed U.S. airlines for cargo services only.

Finally, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would like to propose that this note and the response note from that Honorable Embassy constitute an Agreement between our two governments, which will start its legal effect on the date of the answer note effective from June 30, 1994.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Honorable Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration.

Quito, October 23, 1995